

HEPBURN ANTI-TRUST BILL MAY BE REPORTED

House Committee on Judiciary, in Session Today, Discusses Proposed Legislation to Curb Monopoly.

Likely to Favor Appropriation of \$500,000 So as to Enable Attorney General to Enforce Sherman Law.

The House Committee on Judiciary was in session today, and one of the matters discussed was the subject of trusts, to which much attention has been given since Congress reconvened. It is not improbable that the committee may decide to report the Hephburn bill or a similar measure providing for an appropriation of \$500,000, to enable the Attorney General to enforce the Sherman anti-trust law.

There is a strong feeling among many members for the passage of such a measure, upon the ground that with money available for prosecution it can readily be determined what amendment is necessary to the law to remedy the so-called trust evil.

Chairman Jenkins takes the position that Congress reached the limit of its constitutional authority when it passed the Sherman act, and that it is advisable to go further, it can only be done by an amendment to the Constitution conferring power upon Congress to deal with the trust matter.

Considering Many Bills.

A subcommittee, of which Mr. Littlefield is chairman, has under consideration the thirty or more bills and resolutions relating to trusts, and is endeavoring to evolve from them the "something" which members declare should be done with the trusts.

It may be stated as a fact, however, that there will be no dangerous or extreme legislation upon the subject, it has and will be legislation which can be prevented by Chairman Jenkins. He does not purpose to allow his committee to do anything which will make it appear ridiculous in response to popular clamor, and hence will advise that the members go slow.

In discussing his own position in the matter and the probable action of the committee, Mr. Jenkins said today to a Times reporter:

"It is impossible to anticipate what proposed anti-trust legislation will be reported from the Judiciary Committee. It should be borne in mind that every member of Congress is urged by the press, the public, and individuals to do something with the trusts.

Corporations Now Control.

"The feeling is so strong and acute that I feel it to be my duty in common with my colleagues to carefully examine the subject, and readily came to the conclusion that trusts and combinations proper, as they were in active operation some years ago, have disappeared for all time, all of the commerce, and particularly all of the business of the nation, being now carried on through and by corporations, and in my judgment it always will be.

"In short, my position has been for years past that on account of our divided sovereignty under the Constitution—in other words, commerce within the State being under the exclusive control of the State, and commerce passing through the States or from one State into another, being under the exclusive control of Congress—all corporations carrying on the commerce of the country created by the States and not subject to control of Congress, the number of States and want of unity of action among and between the States, the limited power of Congress, that Congress has in my judgment gone to the limit of its power in the passage of the so-called Sherman act of 1890, and that there is nothing further Congress can do beneficial or practical.

"The only thing left to satisfy the people and do exact and equal justice to all would be to amend the Constitution, wiping out the difference between State and Federal power, and placing the commerce of the nation and the agencies or instruments of commerce under one control, and that Federal authority.

Fair Legislation.

"I have not suggested or attempted to suggest legislation under the power to be created. That can well be left to the future. I can simply say that any such legislation should be fair and just to all interests without discrimination, without any attempt to violate other constitutional provisions, without any attempt to legislate in favor of one interest as against the other, or to exhibit the slightest hostility in favor of one or against any other interest.

"I have not the slightest question but what time and the sober second thought of every person interested in the welfare of government, having in view the rights of all, will subscribe to this position. The fact is, the people are aroused and determined that something shall be done, and it is far better to legislate now, when legislation just and fair can be had, than to wait until the people have passed beyond the control of reason and attempt legislation injurious to the vast interests of this nation.

Opposed to Radical Move.

"I am strictly opposed to any attempt on the part of Congress to exercise powers not conferred to it by the Federal Constitution, and I am also opposed to any attempt at legislation that will not meet with the approval of the great majority of the American people when they have had ample time to reflect. Certainly I am opposed to anything that might be called extreme, ridiculous, or discriminating legislation.

"There is very little use in talking about legislation with reference to the effect and operation of combined capital operating through corporations when we refuse to place the thing itself that causes all the difficulties under control. These great institutions, created by the law, are an account of our divided power, beyond the reach of the law.

"From my observation I do not fear any extreme legislation. No demand has been made, as far as I have any knowledge, to punish the great instruments of commerce or to retard the growth of the country, or injure the

business of the country by what might be called dangerous legislation.

Fears Blow to Business.

"This is the very time that calls for the exercise of fairness, reason, and good judgment. I have contributed too much toward the upbuilding of this government to attempt anything that will in any way injure its material prosperity. I am not aware of any legislation demanded as an expression of jealous feeling against capital, but the position I have taken is in the interest of both capital and labor.

"I am opposed to class legislation or sectional legislation. I have never favored and never will favor the taking of property from one man and giving it to another. I appreciate the difficulty of handling such important legislation during such intense excitement, but in many cases almost amounts to actual prejudice."

ATTORNEY GENERAL KNOX NOT SERIOUSLY ILL

Rumor of Critical Condition Denied by His Secretary.

It was reported here today that Attorney General Knox, who has been in retirement in Florida for the past week, was seriously ill with an affection of the kidneys. The story was based on a dispatch from the South and obtained general circulation.

At the Department of Justice it was said that the report was without foundation. The private secretary to the Attorney General, Mr. Long, said that Mr. Knox had gone South at the suggestion of his physician for a much-needed rest. Ever since the cold which Mr. Knox contracted during his visit to Pittsburgh there had been signs of congestion of all of his organs, and it was probably upon this fact that the report was based.

Mr. Long added that the Attorney General was now much improved, and that he left St. Augustine, Fla., yesterday for the North. After a stop of several days at Summerville, S. C., he is expected to return to his duties at the department.

ARCHITECTS APPROVE COMMISSION'S PLANS

The American Institute of Architects has placed its stamp of approval on the plans proposed by the park improvement commission for this city.

This was done today by the adoption of the report made by a special committee appointed to carefully investigate the plans and models now exhibited at the Library of Congress. The resolution approved without qualification the entire set, and urges that prompt action be taken by those in authority in pushing forward this work, which will make the city of Washington the most beautiful in the world.

The third day's session of the thirty-sixth annual convention was called to order at 10 o'clock by President McKim. The meeting was held in the assembly hall of the New Willard.

The afternoon session was devoted to the development of municipal improvement. The papers and discussions were illustrated by lantern slides. W. B. de la Caza, of Boston, of the Park Improvement Commission, read a paper on "The Organization for Municipal Improvements."

The complaint will be made under the Wisconsin statute, which provides that every mutual insurance company doing business in Wisconsin must divide its surplus earnings among policy holders.

The action will affect every mutual insurance organization doing business in Wisconsin, whose aggregate undivided surplus amounts, in round numbers, to \$300,000,000.

FRIZEFIGHTER'S HEART.

Coffee Shown to Be the Cause of His Weak Heart.

Frank Wallis, the Illinois champion featherweight, says:

"Nearly all my life I drank coffee, and it finally put me in such a condition that training for any fight was almost impossible.

"My breathing was short and slight exertion always made me very tired. I could not understand it, for I was otherwise well and strong, until one day, in training quarters, a friend and admirer of mine asked me if I drank coffee. I told him, 'yes,' and he said that was what ailed me.

"This was two weeks before an important fight of mine was due. He explained how coffee affected the heart and nerves and told me of the good qualities of Postum Food Coffee. I immediately commenced to use it in place of coffee. The result was wonderful. My nervousness left me, my breathing bothered me no more, my confidence returned, and I was as good as ever in a short time.

"I returned victor of the fight, which I am confident I would not have been had I continued the use of coffee."

COURT OF JUSTICE BUILDING FAVORED

House Committee Recommends Appropriation.

The House Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds this morning authorized a favorable report upon the bill appropriating \$7,000,000 for the purchase of a site and the erection thereon of a Court of Justice Building.

The measure provides that the building shall be the home of the Supreme Court of the United States, the Department of Justice, the National Law Library and international commissions or congresses.

The site authorized in the bill is bounded on the north by B Street north, on the east by Second Street east, on the south by East Capitol Street, and on the west by First Street east, and is supposed to contain 226,157 superficial feet, exclusive of avenues, streets, and alleys. It provides for a commission consisting of the Attorney General, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to negotiate for the purchase of the land.

The building when completed is to compare in architectural design with the Capitol and Library of Congress buildings.

The committee also authorized a favorable report on the Senate bill making an appropriation for the erection of a new Department of Agriculture building. The Senate measure carries an appropriation of \$2,500,000, but the House committee cut this amount down to \$1,500,000.

WORK OF LAYING CABLE

TO HONOLULU BEGUN
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—The steamer Silverstern today began the work of laying the cable from this city to Honolulu. President Mackay says the line will be open on Christmas Day and that it will be completed to Manila by next July. Thousands witnessed the ceremony at the beach, including school children and public officials.

BAR TO HONOR MEMORY

OF MR. JUSTICE GRAY
The members of the Supreme Court bar will meet in the chambers of the Supreme Court of the United States at noon tomorrow to take action upon the death of the late Justice Gray, of Massachusetts.

Through Sleeper to Camden, Summerville, and Charleston, S. C.

The Southern Railway, foremost in looking after the comfort of the Southern traveler, announces, in addition to its already superior service, effective December 13, the inauguration of through sleeper line from Washington 9:50 p. m. daily, to Camden, Summerville, and Charleston, S. C.

PAY FOR COAL STRIKE ARBITRATORS ARRANGED

Senate Passes House Bill With Several Amendments.

Late yesterday afternoon the Senate passed the House bill for the payment of expenses and also a compensation to the anthracite coal strike commission, though several amendments were made. The name of the commission was changed to the "Anthracite Coal Strike Arbitration."

As the bill was passed by the Senate it contained amendments fixing a lump compensation for each of the arbitrators not in the Government service at \$4,000 per annum, and providing that the compensation of the employees of the arbitrators who are not officers or clerks of the Government shall be fixed by the members; that the arbitrators and assistant recorders receive \$10 a day for expenses and all other employees \$6 a day.

A lively debate was precipitated by Mr. Daniel of Virginia, who offered an amendment prohibiting the further assignment of officers and employees of the United States or Senators and Representatives to any commission or acceptance of details to any duties other than those prescribed by law. This amendment was lost by a viva voce vote, but Mr. Tillman demanded the yeas and nays. After a lengthy argument Mr. Daniel withdrew his amendment, and it is understood he will offer it as a separate bill.

RECEIVERS APPOINTED FOR W. B. WILLIAMS

John M. Kenyon and Charles Linkins Will Collect Assets—Action in Bankruptcy.

Charles E. Cartledge, John Cartledge, and others, trading as Joseph Wild & Co., of New York, and others, have filed a petition in the Supreme Court of the District asking that Washington B. Williams be declared a bankrupt within the meaning of the law.

The petitioners say they are creditors of Washington B. Williams to a sum exceeding \$500, and that he owes debts amounting to more than \$1,000.

When the petition was presented to Justice Hagner in the District branch of the court he appointed John M. Kenyon and Charles Linkins receivers of the assets of Washington B. Williams.

The matter will come up for a hearing on December 24 next. The others who joined the Cartledges in the petition are Mrs. Mamie E. Norment, William Herbert Smith, trustee, and Albert Kahler & Co.

\$1.25 To Baltimore and Return. \$1.25
Via Pennsylvania Railroad. Tickets on sale Sunday and Monday, December 13 and 14, limited to last train returning Sunday, December 14. All trains except Congressional Limited.

HEALTH ASSOCIATION MAY CONVENE HERE

Commissioner Macfarland Extends Invitation to National Body, Now Meeting in New Orleans.

H. B. F. Macfarland, President of the Board of District Commissioners, in behalf of his colleagues and the people of the District, has invited the American Public Health Association to hold its next meeting in Washington.

The association is now holding its annual meeting in New Orleans, and the action of the Commissioner was suggested by Dr. W. C. Woodward, the District Health officer, who is attending the meeting as a delegate. It is understood that the invitation will be heartily seconded by the District Medical Society, the Business Men's Association, and the Board of Trade.

REPRESENTATIVE SMITH CALLS AT WHITE HOUSE

Interested in Investigation of Hunter-Fitzgerald Episode in Guatemala.

Representative William Alden Smith of Michigan was a White House caller this morning. He came to introduce a party of constituents from Grand Rapids, including J. S. Stearns and Mrs. Stearns, T. F. Mosely and Mrs. Mosely, and the Rev. Henry Beets, of the Dutch Reformed Church, the denomination to which the President belongs.

The Representative is closely following developments in the Hunter-Fitzgerald shooting affray in Guatemala some weeks ago. An official statement on the investigation conducted by the State Department is likely to be made within a few days. Fitzgerald, the man who was killed, was a native of Grand Rapids and a constituent of Representative Smith.

NEW MEDICAL SOCIETY.

An organization to be known as the Medico-Legal Society of the District of Columbia was formed at a meeting in the lecture room of the Virginia Life Insurance Company Building last night. The object of the society is to promote the enactment of laws in the interests of both professions.

JUDGE JOHN W. HENRY DEAD.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 12.—Circuit Judge John W. Henry, aged seventy-seven years, died this morning. He was one of the leading jurists of Missouri, and had been prominent in State and public affairs for years.

Happiness in the Family.

There's no better way for the good housewife to please father and the children than by putting before them on the table Sugar Loaf Bread. It's home made and the best bread made. The Boston Baking Co. makes Sugar Loaf Bread.

PUGSLEY CURRENCY BILL INTRODUCED IN HOUSE

Representative Would Make Money More Elastic.

A bill "to render the currency more elastic and responsive to the financial and commercial requirements of the country" has been introduced in the House by Representative Pugsley of New York. Mr. Pugsley is a member of a banking house, is familiar with banking interests, and his measure is designed to relieve commercial institutions in times of commercial stress, somewhat similar to the manner in which Secretary Shaw recently relieved the money market.

The bill authorizes the Comptroller of the Currency, with the consent of the Secretary of the Treasury, to issue circulating notes under certain prescribed conditions. These circulating notes may be issued to any national bank to the extent of one-tenth of the sum of the bonds deposited by the bank with the Treasury, and are to be secured by approved notes, bonds, or bills receivable, double in value of the amount of issue.

FORTY DAYS ALLOWED IN BUTLER-WAGONER CONTEST

After a debate lasting nearly the entire day, the House late yesterday afternoon finally passed the resolutions limiting the time of taking testimony in the Wagoner-Butler contested election case from the Twelfth Missouri district to forty days. The final vote was made upon party lines and stood 135 to 115. As a result of the resolution the case will be taken up at the present session of Congress. Mr. Butler was unseated at the last session but was returned at the last election to fill the vacancy.

VANDERBILT NO WORSE, HIS DOCTOR SAYS

Rumor That He Had Passed a Bad Night Denied.

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Rumors were circulated early today that Cornelius Vanderbilt, III at his home, 22 Park Avenue, with typhoid fever, passed a bad night. It was said that his malady has taken a turn for the worse.

Inquiry made at his home brought forth a flat contradiction of the unwelcome news. It was stated by those in charge of the sick man that, while the crisis had not been reached, Mr. Vanderbilt was doing fully as well as could be expected and had a comparatively easy night.

Nearly two weeks remain before the fever will have run its course, Dr. Austin Flint, Jr., says that unless there are unexpected complications there will be no room for apprehension.

MR. SARGENT TO SPEAK.

A meeting of the Washington Economic Society will be held at the Riggs House this evening. Frank J. Sargent, Commissioner of Immigration, who was formerly grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen will make an address on "Labor."

BANKERS TO MEET.

The Bankers' Association will hold a meeting at Burton's Hotel tonight. An address will be made by Representative Charles N. Fowler, chairman of the House Committee on Banking and Currency. A buffet supper will be served at the conclusion of the meeting. The occasion will be largely social.

From The Times December 9.

A certificate of incorporation of the Friedlander Clothing Company was placed on record, the incorporators being Harry and George Friedlander and Jacques J. Ellis.

H. Friedlander & Bro., before the public for the past twenty-five years, will be known in the future as the Friedlander Clothing Company.

We were compelled to close our doors today

To make preparations for marking down our immense stocks prior to extensive improvements.

Tomorrow Morning at 8:30 o'clock We Will Start

The Greatest Clothing and Furniture Sale

ever known in the city. Competition is invited to participate in this gigantic bargain-giving event. Everything marked down regardless of cost. Nothing to be reserved.

MEN'S SUITS.

Men's Suits, in all-wool material, well made and trimmed; fine values for \$12; yours while they last... **\$5.25**
Men's Suits, splendid business Suits, in new and natty patterns; values \$15 and \$16—for... **\$8.40**
Men's Suits, in all colors and fabrics, single and double-breasted styles; great values, \$18 an... **\$10.50**
Men's Suits, right up to the minute, 100 different styles to select from, single or double-breasted; value \$22... **\$13.50**
Men's Suits, in imported goods, hand-made; extremely well in cut and fit; single and double-breasted; values \$25.00 and \$28.00—for... **\$15.00**

MEN'S OVERCOATS.

Men's Overcoats, all sizes and lengths; blues, blacks, and Oxfords; great values at \$12 and \$13.50; yours at... **\$4.00**
Men's Overcoats, in all colors and styles; hand-padded shoulders, loose back, length 44 to 50 inches; fine values at \$15 and \$16.50... **\$8.90**
Men's Swool Overcoats; the loose back; the full bell skirt; grand values at \$18—for... **\$10.50**
Men's Stylish Overcoats, in every wanted style and color; hand-tailored garments; full of style; values \$22 and \$25—for... **\$13.40**
Men's Finest Overcoats, in Viennas, Tibets and imported fabrics; all hand tailored; correct in every detail; great values at \$30 and \$35—for... **\$18.50**

MEN'S REEFERS, \$2.98.

Men's Chinchilla Storm Ulsters that sold for \$15... **\$6.40**

Men's Pants.

Men's Fine Corduroy Pants... **\$1.48**
Men's \$2.50 and \$3 Pants... **\$1.39**
Several hundred pairs of Men's Pants that sold for \$5, \$6, \$7, and \$8, for... **\$3.25**

Men's Shoes in Patent Leather, Vic Kid, Enamel, or Calf. Real value \$3.00, only... **\$1.09**

Furnishings

Reductions Terrific.

Few odds and ends of Heavy Underwear. None sold for less than 50c... **.10c**
25c Wool Socks... **.12c**
39c Wool Socks... **.23c**
15c Black and Tan Sox... **.7c**
Silk Initial Japonette Handkerchiefs... **.10c**
\$1.50 Pure Wool Underwear... **.97c**
\$1.50 Medicated Flannel, single or Double-breasted Underwear... **.97c**

Children's Clothing

Children's Suits... **\$1.30**
Children's Reefers... **\$1.40**
Extra long Children's Overcoats... **\$2.48**
SPECIAL—Several hundred small sizes Children's Overcoats for... **\$1.09**

Stanhope Hats.

Regular \$2.50 grade... **\$1.69**
Sample Hats in Derbies and Fedoras that sold as high as \$2.50, for... **.98c**
36c Suspenders, extra fine webbing... **.23c**
Army Flannel Shirts... **.97c**
Army Flannel Best Wool Shirts... **\$1.69**
\$2.50 Wool Jackets, single or double-breasted styles... **\$1.48**
75c Union-made Overalls, all colors... **.50c**
75c Working Shirts... **.48c**
Every need for Motormen and Conductors at 10 per cent less than elsewhere during this Corporation Sale.

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Bring the Children.
Let 'em see Santa Claus and the Xmas Show at our 7th Street Store.

Open Till Late
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Present for Children.
Beautiful Candy-filled Xmas Boxes FREE with Shoes tomorrow.

WHY HAHN'S

Attract the Shoe Buying Crowds.

BECAUSE—Here they find ten times the variety of any other store.
BECAUSE—Shoes bought here are absolutely certain as regards wear.
BECAUSE—Ours is the promptest possible Store and Delivery Service.
Several end-of-season purchases will add spice to our remarkably tempting price-array tomorrow. Don't be deterred by the crowds—we're fully prepared to serve almost one-half of Shoe-wearing Washington tomorrow.

Special Slipper Sale

For Tomorrow.

For Men and Boys.

Imitation Alligator and Velvet Embroidered Slippers... **39c**
Kid-lined tan and black Slippers... **69c**
20 styles \$1.25, some \$1.50, hand-made Slippers... **95c**
A large variety of fine \$1.50 Kid, Calf and Seal Slippers... **\$1.19**
Finest \$2 quality Romeo and Low-cut Slippers... **\$1.50**
Our \$1.95 Gray Suede Burnt Leather Slippers tomorrow... **\$1.65**
Genuine \$2.50 Alligator and Surpass Kid Slippers... **\$1.95**

For Women and Children.

Misses' and Children's warm Felt Slippers, sizes 6 to 2... **29c**
Ladies' and Child's Black, Maroon and Blue Cloth Juliette and Slippers... **45c**
Women's \$1 Red Felt Leather Sole Julietts, tomorrow... **59c**
Women's \$1.50 pretty Velvet Felt and Sateen Julietts... **95c**
Genuine Satin, black and red quilted, \$1.50 Julietts... **\$1.15**
Three-strap Kid and Patent Leather Evening Sandals... **\$1.50**
Swell \$2.50 Evening Slipper in 15 pretty styles... **\$1.95**

Rubber Footwear and Leggings.

Free Boot Socks with Men's and Boys' Rubber Boots tomorrow.

Misses' and Child's Fleece-lined Rubber Boots; sizes 2 Rubber Boots... **95c**
Women's and Youth's Rubber Boots... **\$1.37**
Boys', sizes 1 to 6... **\$1.95**
Men's Wool or Cotton lined Rubber Boots... **\$2.50**
Storm King Boots; all sizes, as low as... **\$1.50**
Warm-lined Jersey Leggings; sizes 2... **37c**
\$1.50 Velvet and good tan leather Leggings... **95c**

SATURDAY'S SHOE SPECIALS.

WOMEN'S

25c pairs \$1.50 Vic Kid extension sole low heel and Cuban heel Laced Boots. Tomorrow... **\$1.19**
45c pairs \$2 Fine Kid Laced and Button Boots—splendid wearers. Tomorrow... **\$1.60**
To reduce our surplus stock of the best \$3 Kid Velvet Calf, and Patent Kid Boots, you ever had—15 styles... **\$2.37**
4 styles of Fine Kid Dress Boots—shoes sold at all other stores for \$5—but our regular \$2.50 Shoes. Tomorrow... **\$3.15**

MEN'S

Stout Box Calf and Sterling Calf double and triple sole Laced Shoes—4 styles. Tomorrow... **\$1.40**
Our "PRIME" Welted Sole guaranteed Patent Leather, Vic Kid, and Calf Shoes, with or without cork soles... **\$1.95**
The "BEN FRANKLIN," honest all-though \$2.50 Shoes. Second shipment just arrived. In Velour Calf and guaranteed Enamel... **\$2.65**
The "TRI-WEAR" is the king of Men's \$2.50 Shoes because it gives three the wear and is a real \$3 Shoe. Sold by us for... **\$3.50**

CHILDREN'S

Genuine Vic Kid Spring Heel Laced and Button Shoes. Sizes 2 to 8. Tomorrow... **48c**
Our "IRONCLAD" Kid, Calf, and Patent Leather guaranteed Shoes for Boys and Girls of all sizes... **9c**
Excellent \$1.50 quality Vic Kid and Box Calf Shoes for Boys and Girls—all sizes. Tomorrow... **\$1.19**
The finest \$2.50 Shoes made for Boys and Misses, in finest kid, guaranteed Patent Ideal or Box Calf, at... **\$1.95**

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